#### 103D CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

# H. R. 1783

To amend title 5, United States Code, to include service during World War II in the United States merchant marine as military service for purposes of the Civil Service Retirement System.

#### IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

April 21, 1993

Mr. Hughes introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Post Office and Civil Service

## A BILL

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- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
- 3 SECTION 1. CREDITABILITY OF SERVICE DURING WORLD
- 4 WAR II IN THE UNITED STATES MERCHANT
- 5 MARINE.
- 6 Section 8331(13) of title 5, United States Code, is
- 7 amended—

(1) by striking "or" after the semicolon at the 1 2 end of subparagraph (B); (2) by inserting "or" after the semicolon at the 3 end of subparagraph (C); and (3) by adding at the end the following: 5 6 "(D) in the United States merchant ma-7 rine after May 26, 1940, and before January 1, 1948;". 8 SEC. 2. APPLICABILITY. (a) IN GENERAL.—Subject to subsection (b), the 10 11 amendments made by this Act shall apply with respect to annuities which commence before, on, or after the date 12 of the enactment of this Act, except that no monetary benefit by reason of such amendments shall accrue for any period before such date. 15 16 (b) ANNUITANTS.— 17 (1) RECOMPUTATION.—An annuity or survivor 18 annuity based on the service of an employee or 19 Member who performed service described in section 8331(13)(D) of title 5, United States Code, as 20 added by section 1, shall, upon application to the Of-21 22 fice of Personnel Management, be recomputed to 23 take such service into account. 24 (2) Prospective effect.—Any recomputation

of an annuity under paragraph (1) shall apply with

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respect to amounts accruing for months beginning more than 30 days after the date on which application for such recomputation is received by the Office.

### (c) DUTIES OF OPM.—

- (1) Notice.—The Office of Personnel Management shall take such action as may be necessary and appropriate to inform individuals entitled to have any service credited under section 8331(13)(D) of title 5, United States Code, as added by section 1, or to have any annuity recomputed under subsection (b), of their entitlement to such credit or recomputation.
- (2) Assistance.—The Office shall, on request, assist any individual referred to in paragraph (1) in obtaining from any department, agency, or other instrumentality of the United States any information in the possession of such instrumentality which may be necessary to verify the entitlement of such individual to have any service credited under such section 8331(13)(D) or to have any annuity recomputed under subsection (b).
- (3) Information.—Any department, agency, or other instrumentality of the United States which possesses any information with respect to an individual's performance of any service described in such

- section 8331(13)(D) shall, at the request of the
- 2 Office, furnish such information to the Office.

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